GNSO Activity Update for ccNSO Council meeting (21 August 2014)
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Below is selected discussion points from within the GNSO. More detail available upon request.

CCWG to Develop an IANA Stewardship Transition Proposal on Naming Related Functions
The goal of this group is with respect to the IANA stewardship transition to produce a transition proposal for the elements of the IANA functions relating to the DNS. The GNSO will most likely have a motion to consider and approve the charter at it Council meeting on 4th September (after the ccNSO probably do the same on the 21st August).

CCWG on Internet Governance - proposed Charter
It was noted by the groups coordinator that it seems that there would be a follow up to NETMundial in the form of an initiative to be discussed on day zero IGF Istanbul. It was mentioned that a charter be signed off by SO/ACs - This topic may come up as a motion at the next Council meeting on 4th September in regards to the draft charter.

GNSO launched call for candidates for GNSO Liaison to the GAC
The GNSO have been discussing the concept of a GNSO liaison to the GAC over the past months as part of discussions on GNSO/GAC relations and GAC early engagement in the Policy Development process. The GNSO launched the call for candidates for the role and Mason Cole was selected to be put to the Council for a vote at their meeting on 4th September. The role would be initially a 'pilot' scenario and ICANN travel funding will be available to the person.

New gTLD subsequent rounds discussion
The GNSO have put out a call for volunteers for a new group to discuss the experiences gained from the first round of new gTLD applications and identify subjects for possible future issue reports. More information

Expert Working Group (EWG) report
The GNSO is collecting questions from councillors and groups within the GNSO following their reviews of the EWG's final report. These comments and questions are expected to help in follow up conversations on the report and its recommendations as part of next steps in the policy development process.

IGO/INGO Identifiers in gTLDs
Discussions and work are ongoing on this issue which came about after the Board adopted some of the GNSO recommendations (those not in contention with GAC advice) in April 2014. The Council will be discussing with the Board (Chris Disspain) on the topic shortly.
A briefing note to the NGPC was also sent relating to the below topic on curative rights.
IGO/INGO Curative Rights
There is a call for volunteers for a working group that aims to provide the GNSO Council with a set of recommendations regarding whether: (1) the current Uniform Dispute Resolution Policy (UDRP) and Uniform Rapid Suspension procedure (URS) should be amended to enable their access and use by IGOs and INGOs whose names or acronyms have been listed as protected identifiers, and if so how; or (2) if a new, separate, narrowly-tailored dispute resolution mechanism should be created for these protected IGO and INGO identifiers. More information